

Joseph and Alta Coleman Use Time Wisely

By Alice Monk

When a man has worked in a mine most of his life and because of illness must retire on a small pension, it is a real hardship; not only from a monetary standpoint, but in how to fill in time. How can a man spend his time profitably and interestingly? Here is how one man is doing it!

Joseph Coleman, a former mine employee, living in Heber City, likes to be busy. Because of a serious heart condition he is unable to do hard labor; therefore he spends some of his time doing embroidery work. This is quite different from his former job, that of driving a motor into the bowels of the earth carrying mine employees, or explosive powder to be used in blowing up the veins of ore, and timbers for shoring.

Joseph Coleman and his wife, Alta, live in a modest, white frame house. They keep a few chickens for eggs and meat. Joe built bird houses and hung them in his yard hoping to attract little feathered friends. He loves animals. At one time he had two small chipmunks given him for pets. During the winter months he kept them in his home in a specially made cage. When summer came he put them out in the yard where they could enjoy the sunshine. Later, when they had grown into good-sized animals, he felt they should no longer be confined, so he freed them to join others of their kind in their natural habitat. He now has a small collection of minia-

ture horses on the shelves of his hobby cupboard.

In the summertime, Joe helps people with their lawns while Alta makes pickles and jam. Her specialty is carrot jam, a tangy, tasty treat.

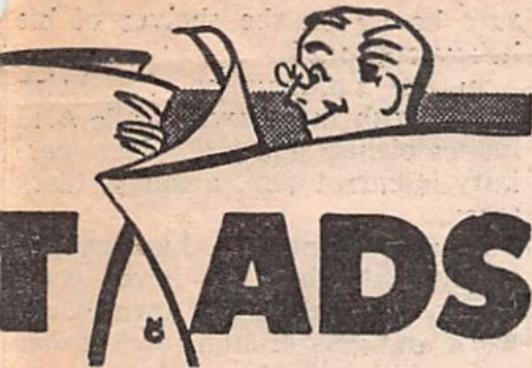
Alta is somewhat handicapped by Arthritis but she never complains. She does her own house work and gets around town in her car. Although her fingers are stiff from arthritis, she is an excellent penman, a habit no doubt acquired at the time she taught school before her marriage to Joe. Alta is a lover of flowers and is a member of the local flower garden club. African violets are her hobby. She cares tenderly for them, repotting, feeding and watering them. She also propagates them through leaf cuttings. Some of her choicest plants are TV Cut Velvet, which has a purple flower with a delicate green edge; TV Vallin Pink, which has a dainty pink blossom edged in green, and Rose Wings which has beautiful square-shaped petals. People enjoy her floral collection and buy many of her treasured flowers.

Alta is a good seamstress. She makes beautiful aprons and pillow slips, and hem dish towels which Joe decorates with his many varied designs. This work helps keep him busy and brings in a few extra dollars.

The Colemans spend many hours entertaining their friends with a fine collection of colored slides taken during their many interesting trips together around the country.

For the Christmas holidays Joe made Christmas trees from tin cans. He cut the can into strips with a pair of tin snips, then fashioned it into the shape of a little tree and decorated it.

Joe doesn't know what his next project will be, but as long as he is busy he is happy.



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Mr. and Mrs. Ray Giles were Salt Lake to accompany their son George thru the temple and attend his setting apart. His brother Gary joined them at the missionary testimonial held in Barron Hall. On Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Giles, Mary Rae, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Giles, Mrs. Kay Swena, Mr. Carl Farrer, and Grant Farrer, Mr. and Mrs. Dave Peterson; two children of Roy, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Patterson of Clearfield went to the Salt Lake Airport to see Elder George Giles off on his mission to Uruguay. He wishes to express his appreciation to all kind friends who assisted in any way make his testimonial and departure so nice.